

Vocal and Piano

# The Wintry Day Descending to Its Close

for Alto Soloist, double Flute obligato and Piano

Text by Orson F. Whitney, 1855-1931

Music by Edward P. Kimball, 1882-1937

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Lyricaly  $\text{♩} = 66$

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The win - try day des - cend - ing to its close, In - vites all  
I do not go to rest but lin - ger still In med - i -

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wea - ried na - ture to re - pose; While shades of night are  
ta - tion at my win - dow sill, While, like the twin - kling

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Performance Time: approx. 4:00 min.

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fall - ing dense and fast, Like sa - ble cur - tains clos - ing o'er the  
 stars in hea - ven's dome, Come one by one sweet mem - o - ries of

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past. Pale And through the gloom the new - ly fal - len  
 home. And wouldst thou ask me where my fan - cy

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snow roves Wraps in a shroud the si - lent earth be - low  
 To re - pro - duce the hap - py scenes it loves,

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As though t'were mer - cy's hand had spread the pall, A sym - bol of for -  
 Where hope and mem - o - ry to - geth - er dwell And paint the pic - tured

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give - ness un - to all.  
beau - ties that I tell?

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The wild - er - ness, that naught be - fore would

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yield, Is now be - come a fer - tile, fruit - ful field.

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Where roamed at will the fear - less In - dian band, The tem - pled ci - ties

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of the Saints now stand. And sweet re - li - gion in its pur - i -

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ty In - vites all men to its se - cur - i - ty.

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There is my home, the spot I love so well, Whose worth and beau - ty

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pen nor tongue can tell.

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8va - - -  
8vb - - -